

FINAL LETTER BEFORE CAMP

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Dear Campers and Parents,

This will be our final big letter before camp, June 30 – July 6.

REMEMBER CELL PHONE BAN: We can't be responsible for any brought to camp. If any are brought, they can be turned in and put in "baggies" and stored until the end of camp. **Any phones seen after camp starts will be "confiscated."** If you need to make an urgent call to your child, call my cell phone- (201) 370-5648. Cell phone reception at camp is spotty, so it may take me a while to get back in touch with you. If it's a real emergency, Crossroad camp's number is (908) 832-7264.

Important Points to Remember:

(a) Have your camper/s bring \$15 -\$20 spending money for candy, soda, snacks. The money will be turned in at registration so there will be no lost money. Any money left over will be refunded.

(b) Checkin is between 3-5PM on Sunday July 1. **Checkout is 10:00-10:30 A.M, Saturday, June 30. Make sure you make arrangements to pick up your children.**

(c) The camp's address is: 29 Pleasant Grove Rd., Port Murray, NJ 07865, Phone: (908) 832-7264.. Their web page is <<http://www.crossroadsretreat.com>>. Call the camp only if there is an emergency.

(d) **The main thing of importance to consider now, if you are paid up or have requested help, is your signed health form. You cannot attend camp without your health form.** The health form this year requires medical clearance. If you can obtain it from your family doctor or school nurse, great. If not, we won't exclude your child, but we would prefer that you have it.

(f) We need campers who will help with the talent show! Bring any musical instruments or other props.

Talent show this year is Friday night at 7PM.

(g) **Modest clothing** - Remember that all pants and cutoffs must be **below the knee when sitting down.** Also, please do not bring tight, short or low cut blouses. Loose, baggy tee shirts are what we want. **No tight pants please.** Thanks!

(h) Your kids will need **lots of clothes.** Some activities will dirty them up and so they will probably have to change two times on some days. A good idea is to **put the name or initials of your child on the tags of your child's clothing with a permanent marker.** (Please do this especially for younger boys who tend to leave clothing.)

(i) Remember our theme – **Friendship** Memory verse is Philippians 2:2-4. Extra points will be given for quoting the whole section, Philippians 2:1-8 and also John 13:12-15.

(j) BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

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| _____ 1. sleeping bag or twin sized sheets and blankets | _____ 13. Shaving equipment, (older male campers and counselors) |
| There are rustic mattresses on bunk beds with plastic covers. | _____ 14. Combs, brushes, etc. |
| _____ 2. insect repellent | _____ 15. plenty of underwear and socks |
| _____ 3. flashlight | _____ 16. A few coat hangers to hang things on |
| _____ 4. Bible | _____ 17 <i>Baseball gloves if you have them!</i> |
| _____ 5. pens and or pencils | _____ 18. Instruments or props for talent show on Friday night |
| _____ 6. Notebook for notes | _____ 19. \$5-\$20 apiece for candy and "soda". Please, no more than \$20 |
| _____ 7. toothbrush and toothpaste | _____ 20. Plenty of Old clothes you don't mind getting dirty |
| _____ 8. towel (maybe two or three!) | _____ 21. A sweater or jacket (it can get cool at nights!) |
| _____ 9. soap | _____ 22. Sun block to avoid sunburn |
| _____ 10. plastic holder for soap | _____ 23. A good attitude! |
| _____ 11. shampoo | |
| _____ 12. deodorant (please!) | |

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

Crossroads Camp is on Schooley's Mountain near Califon, NJ and is not far from Hackettstown, Port Murray and Washington. The people at camp tell me that GPS directions are not always accurate since there are several Pleasant Grove Roads in the area. It's probably better to rely on the instructions given below that come from the camp's web page. <http://www.crossroadsretreat.com/directions>.

From New York City and points North and East

1. Take I-80 West from the New York City metro area.
2. Take Exit #27 and follow Route 206 South into Chester (about 8 miles).
3. In Chester, take a right onto 513 West and follow for about 10 miles into Califon.
4. In Califon, right before the A & P store, TURN RIGHT onto Sliker Rd.
5. Go 1.5 miles and TURN RIGHT onto Pleasant Grove Rd.
6. In less than a mile, Cross Roads will be on your left

From Washington, NJ and points West (many know the congregation there.)

1. Take Route 57 East towards Hackettstown. About 4 miles after Washington (Just after the traffic light at the Port Murray school, take a right onto Penwell Road
2. Follow this road for 3 miles.
3. Make a right onto Califon Road and follow for about 2 miles. This turns into Pleasant Grove Rd.
4. Cross Roads is on the right.